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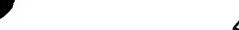
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V	Designation of States		
V-1	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM	
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V-2	National Patent	AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ	
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V-5	Precautionary Designation Statement		
	In addition to the designations made under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the		
	applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b)		
	all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any		
	designation(s) of the State(s) indicated		
	under item V-6 below. The applicant declares that those additional		
	designations are subject to confirmation		
	and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15		
	months from the priority date is to be		
	regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit.		
V-6	Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations	NONE	
VI-1	Priority claim of earlier national		
VI-1-1	application Filing date	05 Tuly 2002 (05 07 2002)	
VI-1-2	Number	05 July 2002 (05.07.2002) Ratent Application No. 2002 106072	
VI-1-3	Country	Patent Application No. 2002-196872 JP	
VII-1	international Searching Authority Chosen	Japan Patent Office (JPO) (ISA/JP)	





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VIII	Declarations	Number of declarations	
VIII-1	Declaration as to the identity of the inventor	_	
VIII-2	Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent	_	
VIII-3	Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application	-	
VIII-4	Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)	_	
VIII-5	Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty	-	
IX	Check list	number of sheets	electronic file(s) attached
IX-1	Request (including declaration sheets)	4	-
IX-2	Description	9	-
IX-3	Claims	4	-
IX-4	Abstract	1	EZABSTOO.TXT
IX-5	Drawings	8	-
IX-7	TOTAL	26	
	Accompanying Items	paper document(s) attached	electronic file(s) attached
IX-8	Fee calculation sheet	✓	-
IX-17 .	PCT-EASY diskette	_	Diskette
IX-19	Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract	1	
IX-20	Language of filing of the international application	Japanese	
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10-2	Drawings:	
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10-4	Date of timely receipt of the required corrections under PCT Article 11(2)	
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